

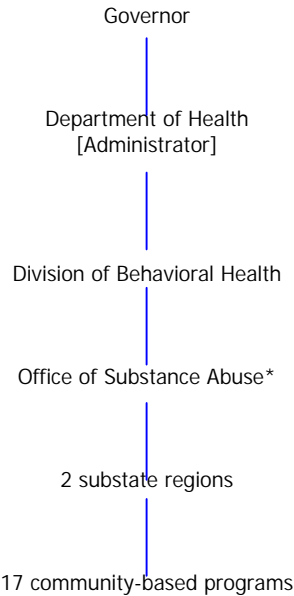
STATE PREVENTION SYSTEM

Structure and Organization

The Division of Behavioral Health, located within the Department of Health, is the primary alcohol, tobacco, and other drug (ATOD) agency for the State of Wyoming. Wyoming is divided into two substate regions for substance abuse prevention and treatment planning purposes. The Division contracts with community-based agencies to provide regional prevention services, community-based organizations that provide a continuum of alcohol and other drug (AOD) services (prevention, intervention, and treatment), and community-based organizations that exclusively provide AOD prevention services.

The State contracts its Block Grant funding to 17 community-based substance abuse programs. Typical community-based providers consist of regional mental health centers, a freestanding ATOD abuse prevention program, and counseling centers serving the State's Native American populations. Funding for local prevention activities is based on competitive annual applications and proposed prevention plans that describe local needs, goals and objectives, and activities designed to meet those needs. The local prevention plans are based on the six Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) strategies. Most local prevention providers have close working relationships with schools, with particular emphasis for prevention programming centered on children in the elementary grades, as well as awareness training for teachers and administrators. In addition to schools, typical recipients of prevention services include civic groups, parenting groups, and social service agencies. In general, prevention services in Wyoming are provided by the same network of agencies that provide substance abuse treatment and mental health services.

Organizational Chart



*Includes the State Prevention Coordinator.

STATE PREVENTION INVENTORY - WYOMING PROFILE

FUNDING AND RESOURCES

Year (FFY)	State Funding	SAPT Funding	20% Set-aside
1993	\$374,934	\$1,261,466	\$268,302
1994	378,773	1,580,789	467,212
1995	378,773	1,400,924	314,970

Allocation of Funds

CSAP Strategy	FFY 1993	FFY 1994	FFY 1995
Information Dissemination	\$13,357	\$69,835	\$59,844
Education	60,097	173,711	107,090
Alternatives	11,409	24,318	15,749
Problem Identification and Referral	51,352	63,514	50,395
Environmental	12,093	37,378	12,598
Community-based Process	96,018	81,745	69,294
Other*	23,976	16,711	0

*The State did not specify what these expenditures were.

Resource Spending	FFY 1993	FFY 1994	FFY 1995
Planning, Coordination, and Needs Assessment	\$0	\$0	N/A*
Quality Assurance	0	0	N/A
Training (post-employment)	0	3,200	N/A
Education (pre-employment)	0	0	N/A
Program Development	7,500	0	N/A
Research and Evaluation	0	0	N/A
Information Systems	16,476	0	N/A

*Data not available.

Substate entities receiving set-aside funds for prevention service delivery

- 2 substate regions
- 17 community-based programs

Average amount of grant/contract:

- FFY 1993 - \$11,665
- FFY 1994 - \$17,970
- FFY 1995 - N/A*

*Data not available from State.

Per-capita 20% set-aside spending (population):

- FFY 1993 - \$0.57
- FFY 1994 - \$0.98
- FFY 1995 - \$0.66

Staff/Volunteers designated and supported by set-aside funding and level:

- FFY 1993 -
 - State: 1 FTE/0 Volunteers
 - Regional: N/A*
 - Local: N/A

- FFY 1994 -
 - State: 1 FTE/0 Volunteers
 - Regional: N/A
 - Local: N/A

- FFY 1995 -
 - State: 1 FTE/0 Volunteers
 - Regional: N/A
 - Local: N/A

*Data not available from State.

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PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Definition of Prevention:

Wyoming defines prevention as “the initial phase of an overall continuum of services consisting of prevention, intervention/treatment, and continuing care. Prevention services are provided to the general public and to individuals in high-risk groups who have not yet been identified as substance abusers.”

Does the State have prevention plan?
No.

- Physically disabled individuals
- Victims of physical abuse
- Individuals presently using substances
- Homeless/runaway youth

Target populations for prevention services:

- Children at high risk for developing AOD problems
- Children of substance abusers
- Pregnant women/teenagers
- School drop-outs
- Individuals exhibiting violent/delinquent behavior
- Individuals exhibiting mental health problems
- Economically disadvantaged individuals

Total Number served:

- FFY 1993 – N/A*
- FFY 1994 – N/A
- FFY 1995 – 50,000

*Data not available.

Programs funded:

Type	Number of Programs/Number Served			Programs
	FFY 1993	FFY 1994	FFY 1995	
Information Dissemination	N/A*	N/A	N/A	Clearinghouse and RADAR network (University of Wyoming); brochures; radio/TV public service announcements; speaking engagements; conferences; meetings; information hotlines
Education	N/A	N/A	N/A	Wyoming Perinatal Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition; parenting classes; small group sessions; peer helper programs; youth group education programs
Alternatives	N/A	N/A	N/A	Youth Activity Programs; Outward Bound; drug-free parties; youth/adult leadership activities; recreational activities

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Type	Number of Programs/Number Served			Programs
	FFY 1993	FFY 1994	FFY 1995	
Community-based processes	N/A	N/A	N/A	Volunteer training; community team building
Problem identification and referral	N/A	N/A	N/A	Employee assistance programs; student assistance programs
Environmental	N/A	N/A	N/A	Review of policies in schools related to the use of substances

*These data were not collected by the State in FFY 1993-1995.

DATA COLLECTION ACTIVITIES

Results currently available on prevention programs funded by the 20% set-aside (including needs assessment and data collection):

Local programs submit quarterly and annual reports on their activities. These reports contain data on program objectives, total numbers served, and activities performed.

Wyoming has no structured, comprehensive needs assessment process that incorporates both State and community prevention data. At the community level, all programs are required to conduct some form of needs assessment; however, no uniform approach exists.

SUPPORT SERVICES

Training and Technical Assistance:

In Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 1994, funds from the 20% set-aside were utilized to support two prevention training events:

- Wyoming Perinatal Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition – this coalition sought to educate the public on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS) and to reduce the incidence of FAS.
- Prevention Generalist Training – this program was offered for individuals employed in community programs who provide prevention activities.

Certification Activities:

Currently, no certification exists for prevention professionals. Wyoming utilizes an independent State Certification Board that offers certification for substance abuse professionals.